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## Q1

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(a)

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^3 A_i\right) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + P(A_3) - P(A_1 A_2) - P(A_1 A_3) - P(A_2 A_3)$$

(b)

Define:

- $A_1$  = The chosen integer from 1 to 105 inclusively is divisible by 2
- $A_2$  = The chosen integer from 1 to 105 inclusively is divisible by 9
- $A_3$  = The chosen integer from 1 to 105 inclusively is divisible by 13

$\therefore$

$$P(A_1) = \frac{105 // 2}{105} = \frac{52}{105}, P(A_2) = \frac{105 // 9}{105} = \frac{11}{105}, P(A_3) = \frac{105 // 13}{105} = \frac{8}{105}$$

$$P(A_1 A_2) = \frac{105 // 18}{105} = \frac{5}{105}, P(A_1 A_3) = \frac{105 // 26}{105} = \frac{4}{105}, P(A_2 A_3) = \frac{105 // 117}{105} = \frac{0}{105}$$

$$\therefore P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^3 A_i\right) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + P(A_3) - P(A_1 A_2) - P(A_1 A_3) - P(A_2 A_3)$$

$$= \frac{52}{105} + \frac{11}{105} + \frac{8}{105} - \frac{5}{105} - \frac{4}{105} - \frac{0}{105} = \frac{62}{105}$$

## Q2

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(a)

Answer:

Consider four adjacent red birds as a whole, then the total number of possible arrangements equals to the value of  $A$ , where  $A$  = number of blue birds sitting on the left side of red birds

$$A = \binom{7}{1} = 7$$

$$\therefore B = \text{Number of total possible arrangements} = \frac{10!}{6! \cdot 4!} = 210$$

$$\therefore P(\text{Four red birds are all adjacent}) = \frac{A}{B} = \frac{1}{30}$$

(b)

In order to make sure no two red birds are adjacent, a subset of this line of birds must look like: **red, blue, red, blue, red, blue, red**

Therefore, the scenario becomes similar to the previous question. Consider the formation above as a whole, then the total number of possible

arrangements equals to the value of  $A$ , where  $A$  = number of possible arrangements for the rest 3 blue birds

The rest 3 blue birds can be placed at any of the following 5 position

- Left side of the formation
- Right side of the formation
- Anywhere between two closest red birds
  - Between 1<sup>st</sup> red bird and the 2<sup>nd</sup> red bird
  - Between 2<sup>nd</sup> red bird and the 3<sup>rd</sup> red bird
  - Between 3<sup>rd</sup> red bird and the 4<sup>th</sup> red bird

$$A = \binom{3+5-1}{5-1} = 35$$

$$\therefore B = \text{Number of total possible arrangements} = \frac{10!}{6! \cdot 4!} = 210$$

$$\therefore P(\text{no two red birds are adjacent}) = \frac{A}{B} = \frac{35}{210} = \frac{1}{6}$$

### Q3

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(a)

$$P(\text{All cards are face cards of a single color}) = 2 \cdot \left( \frac{6}{52} \cdot \frac{5}{51} \cdot \frac{4}{50} \cdot \frac{3}{49} \cdot \frac{2}{48} \right) \approx 0.0000047$$

(b)

- Pick one suit that appears twice:  $\binom{4}{1} = 4$
- Pick two cards from that suit:  $\binom{13}{2} = 78$
- Pick the rest 3 cards from the rest 3 suits:  $\binom{13}{1}^3 = 2197$

$$P(\text{All suits are represented at least once}) = \frac{4 \cdot 78 \cdot 2197}{\binom{52}{5}} \approx 0.2637$$

(c)

- Pick five ranks:  $\binom{13}{5} = 1287$
- Pick a color:  $\binom{2}{1} = 2$
- Pick the suit of the card for every card in the five cards:  $2^5$

$$P(\text{All ranks are distinct, and of a single color}) = \frac{1287 \cdot 2 \cdot 2^5}{\binom{52}{5}} \approx 0.03$$

### Q4

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(a)

$$P(R_1 | R_m) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(1 - q)q + q^2 = q$$

(b)

$P(R_2)$  has four cases

- The mother is **rr** and father is **rR**:  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot q^2 \cdot 2(1-q)q$
- The father is **rr** and mother is **rR**:  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot q^2 \cdot 2(1-q)q$
- The mother is **rr** and father is **rr**:  $1 \cdot q^2 \cdot q^2$
- The mother is **rR** and father is **rR**:  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(1-q)q \cdot 2(1-q)q$

$$P(R_2) = 2 \cdot [\frac{1}{2} \cdot q^2 \cdot 2(1-q)q] + [q^2 \cdot q^2] + [\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(1-q)q \cdot 2(1-q)q] = q^2$$

$P(R_1 R_2)$  also has four cases

- The mother is **rr** and father is **rR**:  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot q^2 \cdot 2(1-q)q$
- The father is **rr** and mother is **rR**:  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot q^2 \cdot 2(1-q)q$
- The mother is **rr** and father is **rr**:  $q^2 \cdot q^2$
- The mother is **rR** and father is **rR**:  $\frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2(1-q)q \cdot 2(1-q)q$

$$P(R_1 R_2) = 2 \cdot [\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot q^2 \cdot 2(1-q)q] + [q^2 \cdot q^2] + [\frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2(1-q)q \cdot 2(1-q)q] = q^3 + \frac{1}{4}(1-q^2)q^2$$

$$P(R_1 | R_2) = \frac{P(R_1 R_2)}{P(R_2)} = \frac{q^3 + \frac{1}{4}(1-q^2)q^2}{q^2} = q + \frac{1}{4}(1-q^2)$$

**(c)**

- $\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} P(R_1 | R_m) = 0$
- $\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} P(R_1 | R_2) = \frac{1}{4}$

## Q5

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**(a)**

**(i) Proof of  $P(\emptyset) = 0$**

$\because P(S) = P(S \cup \{\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} \emptyset\})$ , By Axiom 2,  $P(S) = 1$ , and the set  $\emptyset$  is disjoint with all other sets, including  $\emptyset$  itself

$\therefore$  By Axiom 3,  $P(S) = P(S) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \emptyset$

$\therefore 1 = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \emptyset$

$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \emptyset = 0 \rightarrow P(\emptyset) = 0$

**(ii) Proof of  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  implies  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) + P(B)$**

$\because A \cap B = \emptyset$

$\therefore A$  and  $B$  are mutually exclusive

$\because$  the set  $\emptyset$  is disjoint with all other sets, including  $\emptyset$  itself

$\therefore P(\emptyset) = 0$

By Axiom 3,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A \cup B \cup \{\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} \emptyset\}) = P(A) + P(B) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \emptyset = P(A) + P(B)$

**(iii) Proof of  $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$**

$\because P(S) = P(A) + P(A^c)$

By Axiom 2,  $P(S) = 1$

$$\therefore 1 = P(A) + P(A^c) \rightarrow P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

**(iv) Proof of  $A \subset B$  implies  $P(A) \leq P(B)$**

$$P(B) = P(A \cup (A^c \cap B)) = P(A) + P(A^c \cap B)$$

$$\because \text{By Axiom 1, } P(A^c \cap B) \geq 0$$

$$\therefore P(A) \leq P(B)$$

**(b)**

**(i)**

$$\because \overline{E_i} = E_i \cap E_{i-1}^c \cap E_{i-2}^c \dots \cap E_1^c$$

$$\therefore \forall A \in \overline{E_i}, A \in E_i \Rightarrow \overline{E_i} \subset E_i$$

**(ii)**

$\forall m, n$  where  $m < n$

$$\text{We have } \overline{E_m} = E_m \cap E_{m-1}^c \cap \dots \cap E_1^c \text{ and } \overline{E_n} = E_n \cap E_{n-1}^c \cap \dots \cap E_1^c$$

$$\overline{E_n} \text{ can also be written as } \overline{E_n} = E_n \cap \dots \cap E_m^c \cap \dots \cap E_1^c$$

$$\forall A \in \overline{E_m}, A \in E_m \text{ and } \forall B \in \overline{E_n}, B \in E_m^c$$

$$\because E_m \text{ and } E_m^c \text{ are mutually exclusive}$$

$$\therefore \text{There is no pair of } A \text{ and } B \text{ such that } A = B$$

$$\therefore \forall m, n \text{ where } m < n, \overline{E_m} \text{ and } \overline{E_n} \text{ are mutually exclusive}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{The sets } \overline{E_1}, \overline{E_2}, \dots \text{ are mutually exclusive}$$

**(iii)**

$$n = 1$$

- $\cup_{i=1}^n E_i = E_1$
- $\cup_{i=1}^n \overline{E_i} = E_1$

$$n = 2$$

- $\cup_{i=1}^n E_i = E_1 \cup E_2$
- $\cup_{i=1}^n \overline{E_i} = (E_2 \cap E_1^c) \cup (\cup_{i=1}^1 \overline{E_i}) = (E_2 \cap E_1^c) \cup E_1 = E_2 \cup E_1$

$$n = 3$$

- $\cup_{i=1}^n E_i = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3$
- $\cup_{i=1}^n \overline{E_i} = (E_3 \cap E_2^c \cap E_1^c) \cup (\cup_{i=1}^2 \overline{E_i}) = (E_3 \cap E_2^c \cap E_1^c) \cup (E_2 \cup E_1) = E_3 \cup E_2 \cup E_1$

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$$n = m$$

- $\cup_{i=1}^m E_i = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_m$
- $\cup_{i=1}^m \overline{E_i} = (E_m \cap E_{m-1}^c \cap E_{m-2}^c \cap \dots \cap E_1^c) \cup (\cup_{i=1}^{m-1} \overline{E_i}) = (E_m \cap E_{m-1}^c \cap E_{m-2}^c \cap \dots \cap E_1^c) \cup (E_{m-1} \cup E_{m-2} \cup \dots \cup E_1) = E_m \cup E_{m-1} \cup \dots \cup E_1$

$\therefore \forall m$ , where  $m \geq 1$ , we have  $\cup_{i=1}^m E_i = \cup_{i=1}^m \overline{E_i}$

As  $m \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\cup_{i=1}^\infty E_i = \cup_{i=1}^\infty \overline{E_i}$

**(c)**

Proved in question (b)(iii),  $\cup_{i=1}^\infty E_i = \cup_{i=1}^\infty \overline{E_i}$ , therefore,  $P(\cup_{i=1}^\infty E_i) = P(\cup_{i=1}^\infty \overline{E_i})$ .

Since  $\overline{E_1}, \overline{E_2}, \dots, \overline{E_i}$  are mutually exclusive (Proved in question (b)(ii)), by Axiom 3,  $P(\cup_{i=1}^\infty \overline{E_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty P(\overline{E_i})$

Proved in questions (b)(i),  $\overline{E_i} \subset E_i, \forall i \geq 1$ . Therefore,  $P(\overline{E_i}) \leq P(E_i), \forall i \geq 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^\infty P(\overline{E_i}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty P(E_i)$

In conclusion,  $P(\cup_{i=1}^\infty E_i) = P(\cup_{i=1}^\infty \overline{E_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty P(\overline{E_i}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty P(E_i)$

Simplify as  $P(\cup_{i=1}^\infty E_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^\infty P(E_i)$

**(d)**

(1)

Based on the definition of  $Q_i \rightarrow Q_i = P(\cap_{n=i}^\infty E_n^c)$

$$\therefore P(\cap_{n=i}^\infty E_n^c) = 1 - P(\cup_{n=i}^\infty E_n)$$

$$\therefore P(\cup_{n=i}^\infty E_n) \leq \sum_{n=i}^\infty P(E_n) \text{ (Boole's Inequality proved in part c)}$$

$$\therefore Q_i = 1 - P(\cup_{n=i}^\infty E_n) \geq 1 - \sum_{n=i}^\infty P(E_n) \geq 1 - (\sum_{n=1}^\infty P(E_n) - \sum_{n=1}^i P(E_n))$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^\infty P(E_n) < \infty$$

$$\therefore \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} Q_i = 1$$

(2)

If  $P(E_i) \leq \frac{c}{i^k}, c > 0, k > 1$ , then

$$\sum_{i=1}^\infty P(E_i) = c(1 + \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{3^k} + \dots)$$

$$= c(1 + \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^k} dx)$$

$$= c(1 + \frac{x^{-k+1}}{-k+1})|_1^\infty$$

$$= c + \frac{c}{1-k} = c \cdot \frac{k}{k-1} < \infty$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^\infty P(E_n) < \infty \rightarrow \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} Q_i = 1 \text{ (Proved in part 1)}$$